## COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO TO SEIU, LOCAL 1021 WELFARE SUPERVISORY UNIT

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Revise Section 10.5 as follows:

## 10.5 LIFE INSURANCE

- a. Basic Benefit: Effective January 1, 2008, the basic life insurance benefit will be increased from \$15,000 to \$18,000 for employees. This shall be the default level of life insurance coverage, which shall be provided at no cost to the employee. The County will provide a default basic life insurance benefit of \$18,000 with no charge to the employee. The basic life benefit will include a dependent life benefit of \$2,000 (benefit reduction may apply prior to 6 months of age) automatically for each of the employee's dependent spouse/qualified dependent children. No enrollment is generally required except that Domestic Partners and/or their dependents must be enrolled in the program as the dependent of an employee in order to be eligible for the dependent benefit.
- b. Voluntary Options: The County shall provide additional options to permit employees to elect up to five (5) times their annual salary to a maximum of \$600,000 of provided and purchased life insurance. Premium rates for these supplemental options shall be determined by the County based on the quotation from the insurance carrier selected by the County to provide the life insurance.

  The County shall provide additional options to permit employees to elect increased voluntary employee life coverage up to the underwriting maximums and at the premium rates of the life insurance company selected by the County to provide life insurance. An accelerated benefit option may also be provided if allowed under the terms and options of the life insurance company selected by the County to provide life insurance. The County shall select an insurance carrier that at a minimum will agree to provide additional options to employees such as a living benefit and/or conversion of coverage from group to private coverage upon termination of employment.
- c. <u>Living Benefit</u>. The life insurance benefit includes a "living benefit" option. To be eligible for this "living benefit," the claimant must be under the age of seventy (70), be diagnosed terminally ill (with life expectancy of twelve [12] months or less); not have assigned his or her employee life benefits; and not have a court order in force which affects the payment of life insurance benefits. The life insurance benefit will pay a benefit of up to 90% of the combined basic and any supplemental life amounts. The maximum amount of the living benefit is \$600,000. Should the employee recover, the amount paid under this provision would be subtracted from the face amount of his/her full benefit at the time of death.

d. <u>Dependent Benefit:</u> A life insurance benefit of \$5,000 (\$0 from birth to fourteen [14] days of age; \$200 from age fourteen [14] days to six [6] months) is provided for each dependent in addition to the basic life benefit provided to employees. No enrollment of dependents is generally required. Domestic partners and/or their dependents must be enrolled in the program as the dependents of an employee in order to be eligible for the dependent benefit. The Dependent benefit will be reduced from \$5,000 to \$2,000 effective January 1, 2008.	
e. <u>Conversion of Coverage</u> : The life insurance may be converted from group coverage to private coverage upon termination of employment, or a dependent's loss of eligibility for coverage under the plan. It is the sole responsibility of the employee to notify the County within thirty (30) days of a dependent's loss of eligibility due to marriage or reaching the limiting age for coverage. Upon timely notification, a dependent losing coverage will be offered the opportunity to convert to an individual policy. Failure to notify the County within thirty (30) days of a dependent's loss of eligibility shall result in loss of conversion privileges.	
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